

REMARKS

Applicant acknowledges with appreciation the Examiner's indication that claims 10, 11, and 17-20 are allowable. Applicant has therefore restricted the application to allowable subject matter.

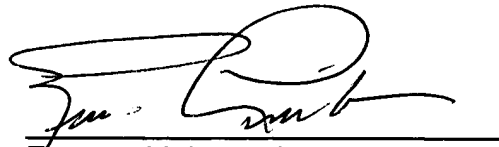
Applicant has cancelled claims 1, 3, 5-8, and 12-16 and amended claim 21 to be dependent upon claim 20 which is allowable. The amendment to claim 21 was made to correct its apparent typographical error since claim 21 was mistakenly dependent upon claim 12.

Accordingly, it is most respectfully requested that this rejection be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicant believes that this is a full and complete response to the last Office Action. For the reasons discussed above, Applicant now respectfully submits that all of the pending claims are in complete condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner's rejections be withdrawn and that claims 10, 11, and 17-21 be allowed in their present form. If the Examiner feels that any remaining issues require further discussion, he is kindly invited to contact Applicant's undersigned attorney to resolve those issues.

Respectfully submitted,
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hereby certify that this AMENDMENT is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 7, 2005.


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